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Thank you for your support and your interest in our programs. We wish you happy holidays and a wonderful 2013!

Propose a Session for South Carolina's Preservation Conference

The SHPO is accepting proposals for educational sessions at the upcoming statewide preservation conference to be held April 16, 2013 in Columbia. **The deadline for proposals is February 28, 2013.** For more information about sessions and how to enter a proposal see <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx>, or contact Jennifer Satterthwaite at (803) 896-6171, jsatt@scdah.state.sc.us. Two speakers per session will receive free registration to the conference.

3 New Listings in the National Register of Historic Places Recognize African American History

Faith Cabin Library at Anderson County Training School, in Pendleton in Anderson County, was listed in the National Register on November 14, 2012. It is significant for its role in African-American education and social history in South Carolina from ca. 1936, when it was built, to 1954, when Anderson County Training School closed with the construction of a new African-American "equalization school" nearby. This building and the one in Seneca (see below) are the only two remaining free-standing Faith Cabin Libraries of the 30 built in South Carolina between 1932 and 1943. The Faith Cabin Library program was created by Willie Lee Buffington, a white mill worker who later became a Methodist minister and college professor. Faith Cabin Libraries provided

access to library services for African American communities in South Carolina and Georgia who were denied access to other libraries because of segregation. The building is a one-room log cabin built with donated money and timber from the community.

Faith Cabin Library at Seneca Junior College, in Seneca in Oconee County, was listed in the National Register on November 14, 2012. It is significant for its role in African American education and social history in South Carolina between 1937 and 1939. This building was constructed in 1937 and known as the Oberlin Unit because it was largely the result of the interest and efforts of students at Oberlin College in Ohio. With donated money and timber from the community, and books from the students of Oberlin College, Willie Lee Buffington established the library, a free-standing two-room log cabin, on the campus of Seneca Junior College. The library remained open for only two years, because in 1939 Seneca Junior College closed its doors due in part to the construction of a new black high school nearby and the economic impact of the Great Depression. It is the only building remaining from the Seneca Junior College campus.

Cherry Hill School, on Hilton Head Island in Beaufort County, was listed in the National Register on November 21, 2012. The Cherry Hill School is significant for its association with the development of African-American education during segregation in South Carolina. When the Cherry Hill School was built ca. 1937, there were three other black elementary schools in privately owned buildings serving the various black neighborhoods on Hilton Head Island. However, the Cherry Hill School was the only freestanding, purpose-built schoolhouse for African-American children on Hilton Head Island. The building is a simple, gable-front rectangular one-room frame and weatherboard-sided schoolhouse on an open brick-pier foundation. The interior remains much as it did when the building opened. The school operated until 1954, when a new consolidated elementary school opened for the island's African American children. St. James Baptist Church purchased the school in 1956.

The nominations and selected photographs from these newest listings will soon join the over 1400 listings already available online at <http://www.nationalregister.sc.gov/>.

FY 2013 Historic Preservation Grants

We are currently accepting applications for FY 2013 Historic Preservation Fund grants. Applications and instructions are available at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx>. Administered by the State Historic Preservation Office, these grants can assist two types of projects: Survey and Planning, and Stabilization (Stabilization limited to projects in Certified Local Governments). Lists of previously funded projects and examples are on the website. Please contact Brad Sauls at (803) 896-6172, sauls@scdah.state.sc.us to discuss your project before you apply. **The deadline is 5:00 PM, February 1, 2013.**

Nominate a Property to America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places List

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is accepting nominations for its annual list of America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places®. **Nominations are due on February 15, 2013.** The 2013 list will be announced in June. Since 1988, the designation has been a powerful tool for raising awareness and rallying resources to save endangered sites from every region of the country. To learn more about the program and to submit a nomination, visit: www.PreservationNation.org/11Most.

National Trust for Historic Preservation President Issues Call to Action

Stephanie Meeks, president of the National Trust, challenged attendees at the National Preservation Conference in Spokane to transform preservation from a "cause" to a movement. Read her comments at <http://blog.preservationleadershipforum.org/2012/11/06/meeks-2012-speech/>.

Free Webinars on Preservation of Archival and Historical Collections

Heritage Preservation is offering a new series of **free, online courses** about the preservation of archival and historical collections. Tailored to meet the needs and schedules of staff and volunteers at libraries and archives, each course includes four to six 90-minute, interactive webinars presented by preservation experts. See <http://www.connectingtocollections.org/courses/about/>.

- Collections Care Basics: Where Do I Begin? – January 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, and 23, 2013 (all webinars at 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. Eastern)
- Risk Evaluation: First Step in Disaster Planning – February 5, 7, 12, and 14, 2013 (all webinars at 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. Eastern)
- Protecting Your Collections: Writing a Disaster Response Plan – March 5, 7, 12, and 14, 2013 (all webinars at 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. Eastern)
- Caring for Digital Materials: Preventing a Digital Dark Age – five 90-minute webinars in April 2013 (dates and times TBA)
- Caring for Photographic Materials – five 90-minute webinars in May 2013 (dates and times TBA)

Webinars on Current Topics in Archeology

The National Park Service's Archeology Program has posted webcasts from an on-going webinar lecture series devoted to dissemination of information about current research in archeology. Topics range from recent developments in our understanding of Native American colonization of the New World to archeological investigations of World War II Japanese internment camps. To listen to the webcasts, go to <http://www.nps.gov/archeology/tools/webinars.htm>.

Conferences/Workshops/Events

NEW Efficiency Improvements for Historic Structures in Warm and Humid

Climates: January 17-19, 2013, Charleston. Offered by the Sustainability Institute, this class features two days of classroom work focusing on the fundamentals of historic preservation and building science, as well as a field day that includes inspections of several historic houses and instruction on multiple point blower door tests. For more information and to register (the cost is \$200) contact Betsy Kleinfelder at (843) 529-3416, betsy@sustainabilityinstitutesc.org.

National Council for History Education Civil Rights Conference: January 25-26, 2013, Columbia. The conference will feature keynotes by Harvey Gantt and Millicent Brown. The conference schedule and registration are online at <http://www.nche.net/events/civilrightsconf>.

NEW Charles Towne Landing Archaeology Conference, February 16, 2013, Charleston. This year's theme is "Public Archaeology." Topics will include archaeology, historic preservation, oral history projects, folklife studies, cultural landscape preservation, and anthropological fieldwork. For more information about the event see <http://www.discoverouthcarolina.com/products/10004004>.

NEW Preservation Advocacy Day: February 25-26, 2013, Washington, DC. The theme for this year's event is "Preservation Keeps U.S. Together." The preliminary program is available from Preservation Action's website at <http://www.preservationaction.org/>.

NEW Iron and Steel Preservation Conference: March 4-5, 2013, Lansing, MI. The list of speakers and sessions is online at <http://www.lcc.edu/manufacturing/welding/ISPCConference/2013/ispccday4-5.pdf>. Contact the Conference Coordinator with any questions, meslerv@lcc.edu.

NEW SC Federation of Museums Conference: March 13-15, 2013, Greenwood. The theme for this year's event is "Pieces of the Puzzle: Emerging, Embracing, and Expanding." See <http://www.southcarolinamuseums.org/conference.html>.

SC African American Heritage Commission Annual Meeting and Awards: March 15, 2013, Columbia. This year's theme is "Still Standing: The First 20 Years of the South Carolina African American Heritage Commission." Additional information and registration details will be posted on the Commission's website <http://shpo.sc.gov/res/Pages/SCAAHC.aspx>.

South Carolina Historic Preservation Conference: April 16, 2013, Columbia. We are currently accepting proposals for conference sessions through February 28, 2013. See <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx> for more details.

NEW National Council on Public History Conference: April 17-20, 2013, Ottawa, Canada. The conference theme is "Knowing your Public(s)—The Significance of Audiences in Public History." For more information and to register go to <http://ncph.org/cms/conferences/2013-annual-meeting/>.

16th Annual US/ICOMOS International Symposium: May 2-4, 2013, Savannah, GA. The 2013 US/ICOMOS International Symposium invites everyone to the Savannah College of Art and Design where internationally renowned experts will share their ideas and predictions for the next city. The theme is "The Historic Center and the Next City: Envisioning Urban Heritage Evolution." Symposium sessions will provide planners, architects, educators, heritage managers and preservationists the opportunity to discuss the evolution of historic urban centers and how they may provide inspiration for the future. For more information, visit www.usicomos.org or email historicpreservation@scad.edu.

National Park Service's 2013 Archaeological Prospection Workshop: May 13-17, 2013, Ogallala, NE. The workshop focuses on the use of geophysical, aerial photography, and other remote sensing methods in the identification, evaluation, conservation, and protection of archaeological resources. Application forms are available on the Midwest Archeological Center's web page at <http://www.cr.nps.gov/mwac/>. For more information, contact Steven L. DeVore, at (402) 437-5392, ext. 141; steve_de_vore@nps.gov.

Grant Application Deadlines

NEW January 16, 2013 SC Humanities Council Major Grants: For more information about types of projects and the application process go to <http://schumanities.org/grants/howtoapply>.

January 2, 2013 (postmark) / January 17, 2013 (hand delivery) 2013 Battlefield Planning Grants: The American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP) of the National Park Service invites non-profit groups, academic institutions, and local, regional, state, and tribal governments to submit applications for the 2013 Battlefield Planning Grants. Details are at <http://www.cr.nps.gov/hps/abpp/grants/battlefieldgrants/2013grants.htm>.

February 1, 2013 Federal Historic Preservation Grants: Administered by the SHPO, these grants can assist two types of projects: (1) Survey and Planning Projects—eligible projects include surveys of historic properties, National Register nominations, preservation education, and preservation planning; (2) Stabilization Projects—eligible projects include stabilizing historic buildings or protecting historic buildings from the adverse effects of the weather (limited to projects in Certified Local Governments (CLGs)). Grant awards generally range from \$1,500 to \$25,000 and require a one to one match. Additional information about eligible projects and applicants, along with the 2013 application, is online at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx>. For

additional information or to discuss a potential project contact Brad Sauls at (803) 896-6172, sauls@scdah.state.sc.us.

NEW February 1, 2013 National Trust Preservation Funds: These grants encourage preservation at the local level by providing seed money for preservation projects. The grants help stimulate public discussion, enable local groups to gain the technical expertise needed for particular projects, introduce the public to preservation concepts and techniques, and encourage financial participation by the private sector. Grants generally start at \$2,500 and range up to \$5,000. The selection process is very competitive. Only members of the National Trust at the Forum or Main Street levels are eligible to apply for funding from the National Trust Preservation Fund. To learn more about the grant program and how to apply go to <http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/find-funding/>.

NEW February 22, 2013 2013-14 Richland County Historic Preservation and Community Conservation Grants: These grants assist projects that 1) preserve, restore, or rehabilitate historically significant buildings or sites in Richland County; or 2) develop educational and research programs that promote historic preservation in Richland County. Grants are available up to \$50,000. Eligible applicants include non-profit organizations, governmental agencies, educational institutions, and commercial entities. For more information contact Nancy Stone-Collum at (803) 576-2083 or stonecollumn@rcgov.us. More details about the grants and applying for funding are at <http://www.richlandonline.com/departments/Conservation/Commission/HistPres.asp>.

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